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DROPPED DEAD IN DOCTOR'S OFFICE

Boys Endeavor to Revive Patient Before Physician Returned.

Ten minutes after he had entered Dr. W. T. Oppenheimer's office, at 106 North Ninth Street, yesterday, Tom Trent, colored, was a corpse, although every effort was made to revive him by W. T. Oppenheimer, Jr., and William Young, who entered the room when the man was breathing his last breath.

COCAINE DEALER QUICKLY CAUGHT

Woman Endeavored to Secure Her Release by Offering Bribe to Officers.

The recent renewal of the cocaine traffic in the East End, which has caused the police much concern, and has baffled many attempts to locate the selling agents, was suddenly cut short last night when four plain clothes men, by marked colors and a well trained spotter, arrested Emma Mason, colored, at 511 McCance Street.

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TRY EVENSEN SUIT TO-DAY

Well-known Caterer Claims Damages by Failing Into Ditch. Trial will begin in the Law and Equity Court today of the suit of Christian Evensen against John C. Weinbrunn and the city of Richmond.

CHARGED WITH THEFT OF PISTOL

Henry Neill, twenty-two years old, was arrested yesterday for stealing a pistol, worth \$5, from C. H. Norton. He will be tried in the Police Court to-day.

NO ALUM FOUND IN CITY WATER

Chemists Make Tests From Various Samples Without Finding Trace.

BOILERS NOT DAMAGED

Analysis of Scale From Ice Plant Shows No Injurious Chemical.

Notwithstanding the somewhat vigorous protests which have been coming up from all parts of the city as to the taste of alum in Richmond city water, and the action of the alum on the pipes and water fixtures, chemical analyses have failed to show the least trace of alum. In fact, an analysis of samples of water drawn from a hydrant on West Grace Street showed a small percentage of alkalinity, which the chemists report cannot be present in water in which there is alum.

Superintendent E. L. Davis, of the Water Department, filed with the Council Committee on Water last night a written report on the subject, in which he says: "The Settling Basins are working very well, enabling us to get a very clear water, and the scales generally are very much pleased. There has been some complaint of too much alum where really there is no trace of alum in the water receiving a complaint from the Crystal Ice Company that the scale in the boilers at their plant was worse on account of alum. I had some of the scale analyzed by our chemist, and the scale showed no trace of alum, but did show alkaline, which is rather a preventive of damage to boiler plates."

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Joseph Johnson, colored, who was arrested Wednesday night for conducting a policy game in a room at 1100 E. Main Street, yesterday morning, but his case was postponed at the request of the policemen. He will be tried this morning.

Suit Dismissed. The case of Bennie Shefferman against the Richmond Bury Company was dismissed from the docket of the City Circuit Court yesterday on motion of attorneys for the plaintiff.

May Have to Pay Fine. State Auditor Harry Callahan yesterday advised that many corporations in Virginia have not settled for their franchise tax. All franchise taxes and registration fees on corporations, other than public service corporations, are due on or before March 1, and a penalty and fine is added to the amount after that date.

Verdict for \$500. Judgment was entered for the plaintiff in the City Circuit Court yesterday in the suit of the Old Dominion and Western Lumber Company against John Harrison and the New Railway Company for \$500. The lumber company sued for \$2,000 for damage to its property through the location of the pier in the proposed Marshall Street Viaduct. The jury award was \$500.

Qualifications in Chancery. Mrs. Sidney Taylor Adair qualified yesterday in the Chancery Court as guardian of Lewis Cass Adair and Sidney Taylor Adair, Jr.

Mrs. Cora L. Hawkins qualified as administratrix of the estate of Thomas G. Hawkins. The estate is valued at \$100,000. Dr. William T. Oppenheimer qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. Ellen W. Hays.

C. Wilbur Montgomery qualified as administrator of the estate of Mrs. Eliza M. Montgomery, which is valued at \$4,000.

A TAKE UP BARRINGER END

Richmond Chapter Declares That Priddy's Charges Are Ridiculous.

WILSON LETTER A SENSATION

V. P. I. Professor Wanted It Destroyed, but Text Is Read at Meeting.

At a meeting of Richmond Chapter, Virginia Polytechnic Institute Alumni Association, held at the Jefferson Hotel last night, nearly every member present expressed opposition to the charges brought against President Barringer, by Lawrence Priddy, president of the General Alumni Association, and the members of the meeting adopted resolutions declaring that the alumni could not concur with the welfare committee, and leaving the matter to the honor of the visitors.

Don't Believe Charges. Following is a text of the resolutions, which were adopted by a general assembly of the alumni, not members of the association agreed with Mr. Priddy, but rather as to how they applied to the case of Priddy. "Whereas the welfare committee of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Alumni Association has preferred a series of charges against the President of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, attacking his ability and character and demanding the removal of Barringer from office, and has published these charges and asked our concurrence in the same.

And, whereas, we have no sufficient evidence at hand to warrant us in making in the charges, but the contrary believe that some of the charges are not well founded; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we do not concur with the welfare committee in the presentation of the charges, but believe that the board of visitors of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute is capable of coping with the situation."

Did Not Burn Letter. The various charges made were fully discussed by members of the association, but all agreed that few, if any, of them could be sustained. T. G. Wood, who has investigated the charges, read a letter from Dr. E. D. Wilson, of the V. P. I., saying that sixteen of the nineteen members of the welfare committee had signed a letter to the President of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, asking that he be removed from office and keeping his name out.

C. Smith reviewed the charges against Barringer, and two weeks ago he was that he inaugurated dress parade on Sunday; abolished morning prayer at the session, and that he had taken only one drink. Many of the charges were characterized as absurd, and old students who were present stated that they had never seen Barringer become president, or were not backed by statements that could be considered as facts.

REFER TO OLD CUSTOMS

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CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals reconvened yesterday morning at 10:20 o'clock, with Circuit Judges Goff and Pritchard and District Judges Boyd and Dayton in attendance. The following case was argued: No. 948, T. L. Lewis, individually, and as trustee of the United Mine Workers of America, et al., appellants, vs. Hiteham Coal and Coke Company, appellee. Appeal from the Circuit Court at Phillipsburg, Va. Cause argued by Charles E. Hogg, of Morgantown, W. Va., for the appellants, and George E. Ghrist, of Wheeling, W. Va., for the appellee, and submitted.

Court adjourned until this morning at 10:20 o'clock. The following cases were argued: No. 954, Frank D. Zell et al., appellants, vs. Norfolk and Southern Railway Company et al., appellees. Appeal from the Circuit Court at Norfolk, Va. To be argued by Tazewell Taylor and R. T. Thopp, of Norfolk, Va.; and by George E. Ghrist, of Wheeling, Pa., for the appellants, and by Edward R. Baird, Jr., of Norfolk, and T. L. Chadbourne, Jr., of Fredericksburg, of New York City, for the appellees.

CHURCH MAY SELL LOT

An order was entered in the City Circuit Court yesterday permitting the Ashbury Place Methodist Church, South, to sell a lot at the intersection of the United and Lombardy Streets to John W. Tyler for \$2,500, and to use the proceeds for the purchase of a lot at the corner of Allen Avenue and Park Avenue.

TEA STORE FIGHT GOT RATHER WARM

Proprietor and Salesman Use Weapons, Cross-Warrants Following.

Cross-warrants followed a fusillade of weights in the store of the Paxton Tea Company, in North First Street, yesterday, and as a result, C. L. Betts, a salesman, and the proprietor, who are both white, were taken to the Police Court, this morning. Betts alleges that he was assaulted by the proprietor, but Paxton, according to the police, was first assaulted, and was acting in self-defense when he fired a half-pound iron at the head of the salesman.

Betts says he went to the store to find whether or not a assignment of teas would be secured, and that he had scarcely gotten the words out of his mouth when the proprietor shied a weight at him, which struck him on the forehead. Betts says further that he turned to run, and as he did so, a second weight hit him on the back of the head. Betts has a different story to tell of the circumstances, and will probably claim in court that Betts was the first assailant, and threatened him in connection with the shipment of teas.

As evidence of the fact that heavy articles of some kind were tossed about the store, a big window was broken, and Betts says Paxton is responsible for it. Soon after the exchange of blows, a number of men, including Betts, were arrested and held, but when he was released he charged Paxton with a warrant, with an assault. The charge against the salesman is that of trespass.

A Further Cut in Prices Owing To Contracted Assortments

Beginning this morning—take your choice of Hundreds of our finest Suits and Overcoats WHICH SOLD UP TO \$30.00 At \$14.75 Each

We make this deeper and final cut because the sizes and assortments are now broken, though each Garment that is left contains its full measure of quality and style.

Gans-Rady Company

WENT OUT TO DINE, GROCER BOUGHT BUT DIDN'T RETURN, STOLEN CHICKENS

Schiavone Now Claims That the Raymonds First Borrowed Suits, Furs and Hats.

Complaints were filed with the detectives yesterday against Michele Raymonds and his wife by Antonia Schiavone, a barber, who alleges that Raymonds, after having secured free board at his home for two months, left unceremoniously Wednesday afternoon, after having borrowed his best suit of clothes and his wife's suit, furs and hat. Schiavone claims Raymonds came to him in distress, representing himself to be a barber, and asking that he and his wife be taken care of until he could secure a position. Raymonds' story was, as Schiavone recites it, that he had employment in another city and did well until all his household property was destroyed by fire. For the first month there was nothing to indicate that Raymonds was making up his story, and two weeks ago Schiavone offered to rent rooms for a barber shop at 2415 Venable Street, and he and Raymonds became partners in business. There have been few customers, however, and the trade did not furnish income sufficient to support both families.

On Wednesday afternoon Raymonds represented that he and his wife were invited out to dine, and he neither returned home nor brought back any of his clothes, but he did bring back the best out of his Schiavone and his wife could furnish. This was the last seen of them, and the belief is that they have left town. No warrants have been sworn out, but a description of the couple is at the head of the list of missing persons. He says he will furnish money to conduct a prosecution if they are located. Schiavone lives at 615 East Marshall Street.

DINNER TO MR. HARRISON

Editorial Written on Times-Dispatch Entitled by Friends.

Henry Swain Harrison, of the Times-Dispatch, who will sever his connection with this newspaper within the next few days to devote his time and talent to literary work, was guest of honor at a dinner given by some of his friends at the Westmoreland Club last night. There was a good attendance, and the evening was warmly commended, especially those paragraphs which dealt with the editorial page which he has written these days to write.

Those at the dinner were Murray M. McGuire, William C. Hays, John Stewart, Bryan, J. St. George Bryan, Allen Potts, Charles Cotsworth Plackner, L. McK. Judkins, William T. Doherty, Scott Harrison, Thomas L. Bryan, George A. Gibson and Douglas S. Freeman.

Building Permits. Building and repair permits were issued yesterday as follows: H. S. Dixon, to erect a detached three-story brick apartment on the south side of Park Avenue between Park Street and Allen Avenue, to cost \$122,000.

W. T. Ryan, to erect a detached three-story brick dwelling, 206 West Grace Street, to cost \$3,000.

Alfred Johnson, to repair a one-story frame dwelling, 1409 North Twenty-ninth Street, to cost \$20.

H. S. Dixon, to repair a two-story frame dwelling, 604 North Twenty-fifth Street, to cost \$150.

Ill at Memorial. Miss Margaret Stephenson, daughter of J. W. Stephenson, member of the House of Delegates from Bath county, is ill at the Memorial Hospital. She is accompanied by Mrs. George Wise, of Newport News.

"BLOCK DAY" MARCH 18th

THE BOARD OF MANAGERS OF THE Bell Bryan Day Nursery and Free Kindergarten

Have decided to celebrate March 18 as "Block Day" annually. This is a novel way of advertising and something new or "Tag Day." The beauty of this scheme is to interest every family in the city in the Day Nursery, and will bring this most worthy charity literally to their own door. The nursery proposes to cost \$122,000. Every day for lack of room, and to build this addition funds must be raised immediately.

Arrested After Five Young Thieves Had Been Caught by The Police.

The career of five alleged chicken-thieves, who are said to be responsible for the disappearance of fowls from the poultry yards of "Squire" Vonderlehr, Probation Officer Portiaux, and many other citizens in the neighborhood of the Second Police Station, was temporarily checked last night when Leslie Mitchell, Bennie Valentine, Fred Jones, Lewis White and Clinton Fields, negroes, ranging in age from ten to sixteen years, were arrested. Allen Heath, colored, of 316 West Grace Street, who caught one of the thieves, side the front door all last night, and no one was allowed to leave the premises.

When the health officers learned of the trouble the house was immediately quarantined, and orders given that the smallpox hospital, in Henrico county, be prepared for the reception of Edith Heath, Molly Heath and Annie Jordan, all of whom have contracted serious cases. Policeman Gerring, who is immune from smallpox, having suffered once from contagion, had been in the hospital for some time, and no one was allowed to leave the premises.

Hazel Branch, the only occupant of the house who has not contracted the disease, will also be removed to the hospital this morning, and the Board of Health, in order to prevent further infection, urges a general vaccination, and will be prepared, from 9 o'clock until 1 o'clock to-day, to vaccinate, free of cost, all who apply at this office of the Board of Health, in the City Hall.

The case of Margaret Watts was not reported to the health authorities, because it was of such a mild type that the attending physician is said to have erred in his diagnosis. The three women now suffering from smallpox developed unfavorable symptoms last Thursday, and failed to do his duty, by failing to make a report, has not been learned. Annie Jordan is desperately ill. None of the women had been vaccinated.

DAVENPORT IN JAIL

Special Henrico Policeman Goes There for Granting Dog Tax.

Special Henrico Policeman W. Davenport, of Henrico county, who was removed from office Wednesday by Judge R. Carter Scott, was sentenced to thirty days in jail and fined \$5 before Magistrate T. J. Puryear yesterday morning on the charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. Davenport pleaded guilty and threw himself on the mercy of the court.

In addition to the thirty-day sentence, Davenport will have to serve twenty more if he is unable to pay the fine and costs, making a total sentence of fifty days. Several friends called on the jail yesterday, and it is said that the amount will be paid.

FIGHT ON IN HENRY

Fred H. Powell Offers for the Council. Mr. Garber to Retire.

Fred H. Powell, of 106 West Marshall Street, is a candidate for the Common Council from Henry Ward. Councilman Fred H. Garber, of Marshall Ward, who has for many years represented Fulton in the lower branch, and who is now chairman of the Committee on Improvement of the James River, announced last night at Harrison and Franklin Streets, and the arrest, it is believed, will put an end to similar acts that have been committed recently.

MARRIAGE LICENSES ISSUED

Marriage licenses were issued in the clerk's office of the Hustings Court yesterday to Irvin Pillow and Miss Lena Blanche Lockett, and Leo Pietri and Miss Ada Burnett.

Expert Evidence

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